

since the House passed a COVID relief bill, a bill that would put money in the pockets of workers, up to \$6,000 per household; it would extend unemployment benefits for those people who have lost their jobs as a result of this pandemic; and it would support small businesses, importantly, those small businesses that are just on the brink of failure, to ensure that relief gets to those underserved communities and especially to some of our nonprofits.

Sadly, the COVID bill sits on MITCH MCCONNELL's desk, gathering dust.

This is a pandemic. It is a health crisis. It is an economic crisis. We need to come together, put politics aside, negotiate with one another, come to a compromise, and help the American people.

RECOGNIZING VETERANS DAY

(Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, this past Wednesday, we recognized Veterans Day.

It is most appropriate that we set aside a day each year to thank the brave men and women in our Armed Forces who have selflessly sacrificed so much for our great Nation.

For more than two centuries, Americans have fought under the American flag for the principles of freedom, justice, and equality under the law.

Our Americans stand tall and are respected worldwide for their dedication to country and the sacrifices that they have made for our freedom. Many have gone to hell and back to preserve the natural rights outlined in the Constitution, specifically freedom of speech, freedom of religion, and the right to bear arms.

In eastern North Carolina, I am honored to represent 95,000 veterans, the third most of any congressional district in the United States.

Despite the partisanship oftentimes seen in this body, it is critical, like was done on this House floor last night, that we show broad, bipartisan support for our American veterans.

Their defense of our Nation has not been just for Democrat, not just for Republican or independent. It has been for all Americans.

So, again, we say thank you for your service, and God bless you all.

CREDITING OPERATION WARP SPEED

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, with America under attack by the Wuhan virus, President Donald Trump announced Operation Warp Speed, led by Vice President MIKE PENCE.

Operation Warp Speed is America's commonsense path toward a historic

effort to safely bring the virus testing, treatments, and vaccines to the American people in record time.

Extraordinary scientists, doctors, and manufacturers from around the Nation are working tirelessly through Operation Warp Speed to develop safe and effective vaccines. A safe, effective vaccine is the key to restoring our normal way of life and restoring jobs.

Just this week, Moderna announced vaccine success and, thanks to President Trump, vaccine production is underway.

This is great news for our families and for the restoration of jobs, and I am grateful that we are closer than ever to defeating the pandemic.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget September 11th in the global war on terrorism.

REMEMBERING HUGH PENDLETON NUNNALLY, JR.

(Mr. CARTER of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in remembrance of Hugh Pendleton Nunnally, Jr., who was a pillar in the Golden Isles community.

Hugh was born and raised in Atlanta and graduated from Georgia Tech with a degree in agriculture. After graduating, he was fortunate enough to be mentored by Malon Courts of the Courts & Company and became a broker within 2 years.

In 1955, he was drafted into the Army and finished his service in 1957 as a sergeant.

Following Hugh's time in the Army, he became a founding partner in the brokerage firm Budd & Company and then a founding partner of Presidential Financial Company.

After the death of his precious wife, Miriam, he was devoted to many philanthropic efforts, including the Southeast Georgia Health System, the Nunnally House, the College of Coastal Georgia, the Humane Society of South Coastal Georgia, and the Hospice of the Golden Isles.

Hugh will always be remembered for his endearing smile, compassion, and selflessness.

My thoughts and prayers are with all who knew and loved him during this most difficult time.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The House will resume proceedings on postponed questions at a later time.

NIMHD RESEARCH ENDOWMENT REVITALIZATION ACT OF 2020

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill

(H.R. 4499) to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide that the authority of the Director of the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities to make certain research endowments applies with respect to both current and former centers of excellence, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 4499

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "NIMHD Research Endowment Revitalization Act of 2020".

SEC. 2. RESEARCH ENDOWMENTS AT BOTH CURRENT AND FORMER CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE.

Paragraph (1) of section 464z-3(h) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 285t(h)) is amended to read as follows:

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Institute may carry out a program to facilitate minority health disparities research and other health disparities research by providing for research endowments—

"(A) at current or former centers of excellence under section 736; and

"(B) at current or former centers of excellence under section 464z-4."

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. PALLONE) and the gentleman from Oregon (Mr. WALDEN) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New Jersey.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on H.R. 4499.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I rise today in support of H.R. 4499, the NIMHD Research Endowment Revitalization Act of 2020.

This bill authorizes the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities, or NIMHD, to facilitate research on minority health disparities through research endowments at current or former Centers of Excellence.

The NIMHD Research Endowment Program was established by the Minority Health and Disparities Research and Education Act of 2000. By supporting the endowments of certain academic institutions, the program promotes minority health and health disparities research capacity, increases the diversity of the scientific workforce, and enhances the recruitment and retention of underrepresented individuals in science.

Congress expanded the eligibility of the program to include institutions of higher education with an active NIMHD Center of Excellence, and this expansion inadvertently resulted in